Construction of a Bridge across Kollur River

61. Smt. WINNIFRED F. FERNANDES (Coondapur).—

Will the Minister for Public Works and Electricity be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the factors on the basis of which selection of Bantwadi for the construction of bridge across the Kollur river in Coondapur Taluk, South Kanara District was made ;

(*b*) whether there is any proposal for revising its decision and select suitable site for this bridge with a view to give maximum benefit to the maximum number of people ;

(*c*) whether Government would place on the Table a copy of the Deputy Commissioner's report in the matter ?

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA (Minister for Public Works and Electricity).—

(*a*) Factors are as follows :

(i) Bantwadi site is on a State Highway.

(ii) Only about 50 cents of land is required for acquisition.

(iii) Cost of the bridge is relatively lower than that at other sites.

(iv) This provides a direct Highway to Gangolli port.

(v) This site is far away from the Sea and completely free from Sea-erosion.

(vi) Facilitates the transportation of Iron Ore from the Kodachadri mines to Gangolli Port.

(vii) The bridge at this site connects the vast hinterland and up-ghat areas providing connection to the West Coast Road.

(*b*) Does not arise in view of the reply to clause (*a*) of the question.

(*c*) No.

Smt. WINNIFRED F. FERNANDES.—Has it come to the notice of the Government that the investigation report of the engineers—technical aspects—are far from truth and it is only cooked up due to some influence ?

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—What the hon. member says is far from truth.

Smt. WINNIFRED F. FERNANDES.—Has not the Government received representations from the public of the village stating that the technical aspects given out by the engineers were not true and that even rock is not found at a high level ?

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—The village people are not the competent people to express opinion on technical matters.

Smt. WINNIFRED F. FERNANDES.—How many villages get maximum benefit by construction of bridge at Bantwadi and at Marawante ?

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—The villages that are going to be benefitted are :

(i) Bantwadi bridge : Alur, Harkur, Kundabharandadi, Shenapura and Haklady ;

(ii) Maravante Bridge : Maravante, Hadava, Nada Harkar, Alur.

Smt. WINNIFRED F. FERNANDES.—What is the estimated cost of Bantwadi Bridge and Maravante bridge ?

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—The estimated cost of Bantwadi bridge including approaches is Rs. 12.90 lakhs and Maravante bridge including approaches and road communications is Rs. 17 lakhs and for Narunda it would amount to Rs. 14.38 lakhs including approaches and also rural communication to be upgraded. All these estimates do not include the cost of acquisition of land. The cost of acquisition of land at Bantwadi is less as compared with that of the other two sites.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೋಣಂದೂರು ಲಿಂಗಪ್ಪ.—ಕೊಡಚಾದ್ರಿ ಗಣಿಗಳಿಂದ ಗಂಗೊಳ್ಳಿ ಬಂದರಕ್ಕೆ ಕಬ್ಬಿಣದ ಅದುರನ್ನು ಸಾಗಿಸಲು ಸೌಲಭ್ಯಗಳಿರುತ್ತವೆಂದು ತಾವು ಹೇಳಿದ್ದೀರಿ. ಏನು ರಸ್ತೆಗಳು ಇವೆಯೆಂದು ಪರಿಶೀಲನೆ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದೀರಾ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಎಂ. ಚನ್ನಬಸಪ್ಪ.—ಈ ಕೊಡಚಾದ್ರಿ ಗಣಿಗಳಿಂದ ಕಬ್ಬಿಣದ ಅದರನ್ನು ಸಾಗಿಸಿಲು ಇದು ಸಹಾಯಕವಾಗುತ್ತದೆಂದು ಹೇಳಿದ್ದು ಏನಹ ಅದಕೆ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಸೌಲಭ್ಯಗಳನ್ನು ಒದಗಿಸಿದ್ದೇವೆಂದು ಹೇಳಿಲ್ಲ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ಆರ್. ಶಾಮಣ್ಣ.—ಈ ಎರಡು ಸೇತುವೆಗಳ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಅನುಕೂಲ, ಅನಾನುಕೂಲ ಗಳಿಗಿಂತ ಹೆಚ್ಚಿಗೆ ವ್ಯಕ್ತಿಗಳ ಪ್ರಭಾವದಿಂದ ಈ ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥೆ ಸ್ವಲ್ಪ ಜರ್ಜೆಗೆ ಬಂದಿದೆ ಎಂಬುದು ನಿಜವೇ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಎಂ. ಚನ್ನಬಸಪ್ಪ.—ಫೈಲನ್ನು ಅಮೂಲಾಗ್ರವಾಗಿ ನಾನು ಪರಿಶೀಲನೆ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದೇನೆ. ಯಾರ ಪ್ರಭಾವಕ್ಕೂ ಒಳಗಾಗಿ ಸೈಟನ್ನು ಸೆಲೆಕ್ಟ್ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದು ಅಲ್ಲ. ಜಿಲ್ಲಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು ಮತ್ತು ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರ್‌ಗಳೂ ಹೋಗಿ ಯೋಗ್ಯಾಯೋಗ್ಯಗಳನ್ನು ಪರಿಶೀಲನೆ ಮಾಡಿ ಶಿಫಾರನ್ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದರಮೇಲೆ ತೀರ್ಮಾನ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳಲಾಯಿತು.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಎಫ್. ಪಾಟೀಲ್.—ಕೊಡಚಾದ್ರಿ ಕಬ್ಬಿಣದ ಅದರನ್ನು ಗಂಗೊಳ್ಳಿಗೆ ಕಳುಹಿಸುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ರೋಪ್‌ವೇ ಮಾಡುವ ಅಭಿಪ್ರಾಯವಿದೆಯೇ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಎಂ. ಚನ್ನಬಸಪ್ಪ.—ಈ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆ ಇದರಿಂದ ಉದ್ಭವ ಆಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಎಫ್. ಪಾಟೀಲ್.—ಕಬ್ಬಿಣದ ಅದರನ್ನು ಸಾಗಿಸುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಕೊಡಚಾದ್ರಿ ಘಟ್ಟದಿಂದ ಕೆಳಗಡೆ ರೋಪ್‌ವೇ ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥೆ ಮಾಡಲು ಯೋಚನೆ ಮಾಡುತ್ತೀರಾ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಎಂ. ಚನ್ನಬಸಪ್ಪ.—ಇದು ಕೂಡ ಉದ್ಭವಾಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ.

Smt. WINNIFRED F. FERNANDES.—Will the Government reconsider the matter and see that the Maravante bridge is constructed in the interest of the public ?

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—I do not find any material for reconsideration of the matter.

Sri C. M. ARUMUGAM.—Was there a report from the Deputy Commissioner or did the Government call for a report from the Deputy Commissioner ?

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—Yes, we did call for the report.

Sri C. M. ARUMUGHAM.—What was the recommendation of the Deputy Commissioner ?

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—Sanction of bridge at Bantwadi is based on that recommendation only.

Sri C. M. ARUMUGHAM-—What is the difficulty in placing that report before the House ?

Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—It is purely an administrative report and it is not the practice to place such reports before the House.

Upper Bhadra Major Irrigation Project

71. Sri T. TAREGOWDA (Kallambella).—

Will the Minister of State for Major Irrigation be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether the Upper Bhadra Major Irrigation Project near Balehonnur in Chickamagalur District has been sanctioned ;

(*b*) whether channels will be laid to Tumkur District to feed the Major and Minor Tanks in the District specially in Chikkanayakanahally, Gubbi, Sira and Madhugiri Taluks which are drought and famine stricken areas ;

(*c*) the course of the proposed channel under the project and the area of atchkat under the said project in Tumkur District specially in Chikkanayakanahally, Gubbi, Sira, Madhugiri Taluks ;

(*d*) whether Government has taken steps to urge upon the Central Government for help to implement this major irrigation project as Centrally sponsored project ?

Sri H. N. NAJEGOWDA (Minister of State for Major Irrigation).—

(*a*) No. This project is under investigation.

(*b*), (*c*) and (*d*) Does not arise in view of reply to (*a*).

ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ತಾರೆಗೌಡ.—ಸೆಂಟ್ರಲ್ ಗೌರ್ನಮೆಂಟಿನಿಂದ ಬಂದಂಥ ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್. ವಿ. ರಾಮಮೂರ್ತಿಯವರು ಮೈನೂರು ದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿ ನಂಜೆರಿಸಿ ತುಮಕೂರು ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯ ಅಭಾವ ಪ್ರದೇಶ ಗಳಿಗೆ ಕಾಯಂ ಆಗಿ, ನೀರಾವಾರಿ ಸೌಲಭ್ಯ ಒದಗಿನಬೇಕಾದರೆ ಅಪ್ಪರ್ ಕೃಷ್ಣ ಪ್ರಾಜೆಕ್ಟ್ ಮತ್ತು ಹೇಮಾವತಿ ಪ್ರಾಜೆಕ್ಟ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ನೀರು ಒದಗಿಸಿದರೆ ಅಲ್ಲಯ ಜನರಿಗೆ ಅನುಕೂಲವಾಗುತ್ತದೆ ಎಂದು ವರದಿ ಕಳುಹಿಸಿಲ್ಲವೇ ?